

**MINUTES
GREENWOOD COUNTY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 5, 2008
GREENWOOD COUNTY COURTHOUSE
ROOM 201
5:30 P.M.**

PRESENT:	EDITH CHILDS
	RHETT DOMINICK
	GONZA BRYANT
	JOHN D. COMPTON
	PATRICK MOODY
	ROBBIE TEMPLETON
	ROBERT JENNINGS

VICTOR J. CARPENTER COUNTY MANAGER	THESSA SMITH ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER	KETEKASH CRUMP-LUKIE CLERK TO COUNCIL	CHARLES M. WATSON, JR. COUNTY ATTORNEY
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CALL TO ORDER

“This meeting of Greenwood County Council was called to order at 5:30 p.m. This is a regular meeting of County council. Notice of this meeting has been given by mailing an agenda to The Index-Journal, The Greenville News, WCRS Radio, and Gwdtoday. com.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Councilwoman Edith S. Childs

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 15, 2008, REGULAR MEETING

Councilman Compton made a motion seconded by Councilman Jennings approving the minutes of the January 15, 2008 Regular Meeting. Council unanimously voted in favor of the motion.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing to receive comments concerning whether (and to what extent) the boundaries of the Greenwood Metropolitan District should be expanded to add certain properties owned by Lake Greenwood LLC and SC Holdings LLC which have tax map numbers 6897-065-127 and 6887-959-012. The owners of the affected properties have requested that boundaries of the Greenwood Metropolitan District be expanded to incorporate their properties. The expansion of the boundaries as proposed will not alter the nature of the functions being performed by the Greenwood Metropolitan District. No improvements and no new bonds are being proposed as a result of the expansion.

The following spoke during the Public Hearing:

1. Mike Kernnels, 6201 Highway 25 North, Hodges – spoke in opposition to the request
2. Mark Amick, spoke in favor of the request.

Councilman Compton made motion seconded by Councilman Moody approving the request and a resolution alerting the boundaries of the Greenwood Metropolitan District. Council unanimously voted in favor of the motion.

THIRD READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

Ordinance 2008-01

An Ordinance to amend the Greenwood County Zoning Ordinance, being Ordinance 13-86, as and if amended, so that approximately 66.58 acres of property located at 1541 Emerald Road, G-Pin numbers 6876-356-921 and 6876-295-887 be rezoned from RDD and I-1 to entirely I-1

No one was present to speak in favor or in opposition of the request.

Councilman Bryant made a motion seconded by Councilman Compton approving the Third Reading of an Ordinance to amend the Greenwood County Zoning Ordinance, being Ordinance 13-86, as and if amended, so that approximately 66.58 acres of property located at 1541 Emerald Road, G-Pin numbers 6876-356-921 and 6876-295-887 be rezoned from RDD and I-1 to entirely I-1. Council unanimously voted in favor of the motion.

RESOLUTION

A Resolution Designating the Burton Center Multi-County Board for Disabilities and special Needs as an Entity within Greenwood County to Provide Transportation to the Elderly or Persons with Disabilities

Councilwoman Childs made a motion seconded by Councilman Jennings approving a Resolution Designating the Burton Center Multi-County Board for Disabilities and special Needs as an Entity within Greenwood County to Provide Transportation to the Elderly or Persons with Disabilities. Council unanimously voted in favor of the motion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE/EDUCATION/APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE – NO REPORT

JUSTICE/PUBLIC SAFETY/MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE – NO REPORT

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – NO REPORT

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Councilman Bryant asked Council to enter into Executive Session following reports to discuss an issue pertaining to Economic Development.

LAKE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

1. Councilman Moody made a motion seconded by Councilman Jennings authorizing that a boundary line agreement with Jerry Spearman (property near the damn in Newberry County) be executed according to the normal terms and conditions of the County with no money changing hands. Council unanimously voted in favor of the motion.
2. Councilman Moody advised that Lake Levels is at its normal summer levels. Special permission was granted to raise levels early due to drought conditions that the state has experiences.
3. Councilman Moody advised that Arial photos are being taken of Greenwood County and the Lake, therefore, the levels will be raised an additional foot for a couple days during the month of February then lower to its normal level. It is the intent that it will remain at that level throughout the summer.
4. Councilman Moody reminded Council of concerns over pending legislation pertaining to water withdrawals from lakes/river that could directly affect Greenwood Lake; a committee

meeting will be scheduled in the near future to discuss how Council will address their concerns pertaining to said legislature; all of Council is urged to attend this meeting to give their input.

PUBLIC WORKS

Councilman Dominick advised that the Public Works will meet at 3:45 p.m. Thursday, February 7, 2008 in Park Plaza.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

1. Councilwoman Childs advised that Crimestoppers and the Pepsi Company are sponsoring the Annual Basketball Tournament at the Farmer's Market; the players range from age 6 to 10; the games will end Friday, February 8th.

DISTRICT REPORTS

DISTRICT ONE – EDITH S. CHILDS

- Greenwood County won the Annual County Wide Food Drive with over 1000 pounds of food and the City of Greenwood had about 400 pounds of food; proceeds were donated to the Soup Kitchen and United Ministries;
- The Sheriff's Department was thanked for sending Officer Enlow to the Martin Luther King Youth Celebration on January 21st; over 400 people were present for the celebration
- This month is Heart Month; wear red throughout the month; you are invited to attend Morris Chapel Baptist Church February 15th for the Annual Heart Month Celebration "Family & Friends in Red"

DISTRICT THREE – GONZA BRYANT

- Thanked the County Manager, Planning Director, Assistant County Manager, and others for accompanying him to Wheatfield's subdivision with the intention on finding ways to improve the subdivision.

MANAGER'S REPORT – Victor Carpenter

- Sarah Robinson, Chairman of Keep South Carolina Beautiful, presented a \$6,500 check and certification documentation from Keep America Beautiful to Sarah Daniels, Chairman of Keep Greenwood Beautiful, and the Greenwood Area Chamber of Commerce;
- Next meeting of the Upper Savannah Council of Government Board of Directors will be February 25th and will be focused on community development;
- The Sheriff has scheduled a tour of the jail for February 19th at 3:30 p.m. any and all members of Council that would like to attend;
- Greenwood Regional Rehabilitation Hospital Ribbon Cutting will be held February 12th at 4:30 p.m. they will be having a reception and drop-in;
- The next Chamber of Commerce Business Before Hour meeting will be February 15th at 7:45 a.m. and the next Business After Hours will be the 28th of February
- Congressman Barrett has scheduled a lunch meeting with Council on February 20th at a location to be announced to discuss issues of concern to Greenwood County
- SCAC Mid-Year Conference will be held February 13th and Institute of Government classes will be held the 14th of February.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Bryant made a motion seconded by Councilman Jennings for Council to enter into Executive Session to discuss a contractual issue pertaining to Economic Development. Council unanimously voted in favor of the motion.

RECONVENE

Council reconvened from Executive Session and no action taken.

Vic Carpenter presented an intergovernmental agreement of the City of Greenwood and the County of Greenwood for the management of a SCDOT transportation enhancement award of \$168,437.76 for Upton Greenwood Enhancement Phase V (area in front of the proposed site of the new library).

Councilman Dominick made a motion seconded by Councilman Jennings approving the intergovernmental agreement for the Upton Greenwood Enhancement Phase V project. Council unanimously voted in favor of the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Bryant made a motion seconded by Councilman Jennings to adjourn the February 5, 2008 Regular Meeting of Council at 6:30 p.m. Council unanimously voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Ketekash Crump-Lukie
Clerk to Council